THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir. There are nearly 1.42 Lac artisans practicing Embroidery work, Patch work, Tie and Dye, Hand block Printing, Bead work, Wood carving, cane and Bamboo, Agate Stone/Artificial Jewellery, Zari and Zardousi etc. in Gujarat.

(b) and (c) The Government is implementing following schemes for promotion of handicrafts, including export thereof on all India basis including Gujarat:

- (i) Baba Saheb Hastshilp Vikas Yojana
- (ii) Design and technology upgradation scheme
- (iii) Marketing support and services scheme
- (iv) Research and development scheme
- (v) Human and resource development scheme
- (vi) Handicrafts artisans comprehensive welfare scheme
- (vii) Infrastructure and technology development scheme

Further a Mega cluster Project is being implemented at Kutch for integrated and comprehensive development and promotion of exports handicraft from the Region.

Export of textiles

- 772. DR. BHALCHANDRA MUNGEKAR : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :
 - (a) the total export of textiles, in value terms, during the last three years;
 - (b) whether it was as per the country's potential; and
 - (c) if not, the steps being taken to increase the export of textiles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) The total export of textiles including handicrafts, in value terms, during the last three years was as under:

				(i	n USD Million)
2011-12		2012-13		2013-14	
Targets	Achievement	Targets	Achievement	Targets	Achievement
28130	32945.16	31000	34930.05	34000	39450.63

Source: DGCI&S and RFD Targets

- (b) The textile exports sector has been able to achieve the targets.
- (c) Do not arise.